PATENT APPLICATION

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2136

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Shinichiro TANIGUCHI et al. Group Art Unit: 2136

Application No.: 09/454,865 Examiner: C. COLIN

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For: DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND METHOD

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the August 23, 2006 Office Action, and in consideration of the August 31,

2006 telephone interview with the Examiner, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and

Remarks.